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2. Applicant claims small entity status.
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- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
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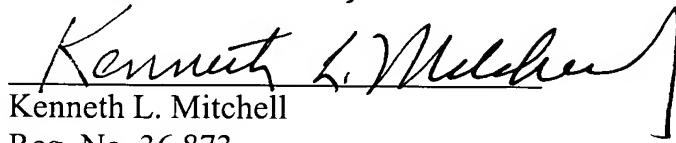
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